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SUBJ: DEA EXECUTIVE PROGRAM FOR THAI OFFICIALS

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1. COLONEL CHAVALIT AND HIS SUPERVISOR, GENERAL POW SARASIN, HAVE BEEN AMONG THE MOST COOPERATIVE THAI OFFICIALS IN THE FIELD OF NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT. WE ARE CONVINCED THAT THE STATEMENT REPORTED IN BANGKOK 1121 DOES NOT RPT NOT REPRESENT A CONSIDERED JUDGEMENT OR AN OFFICIAL RTG POSITION. IT WAS ONE OF THOSE OFF-HAND COMMENTS WHICH SHOULD BETTER HAVE BEEN LEFT UNSAID AND UNREPORTED. CHAVALIT IS UPSET OVER OUR UNWILLINGNESS TO PROVIDE AN EXTRA TWO WEEKS PER DIEM SINCE HE IS THE ONE WHO MUST PERSONALLY INFORM THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE, LT.GENERAL SURAPHOL CHALLABRAM, THAT WE WILL NOT FUND THIS PER DIEM AND THAT HE (CHAVALIT) HAS FAILED.

2. SURAPHOL HAS BEEN EXTREMELY COOPERATIVE AND MOST HELPFUL TO OUR NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION PROGRAM IN HIS FORMER CAPACITY AS HEAD OF THE BORDER PATROL POLICE AND MORE RECENTLY AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE ENTIRE POLICE FORCE. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE A GOOD INVESTMENT TO FUND THIS ADDITIONAL PER DIEM IN ORDER TO INSURE THAT HIS VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES GETS OFF TO A GOOD START AND THAT HE STAYS FOR A SUFFICIENT PERIOD OF TIME TO ACHIEVE BOTH HIS OBJECTIVES AND OURS. WE DO NOT BELIEVE ANY PARTICULAR SIGNIFICANCE SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO CHAVALIT'S ILL-CONSIDERED COMMENT BUT HOPE,
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IN VIEW OF OUR LONGER TERM WORKING RELATIONS WITH THE TOP LEVELS

OF THE THAI NATIONAL POLICE, THAT WE CAN FIND A WAY TO
PROVIDE THE ADDITIONAL PER DIEM. WE BELIEVE THIS MODEST IN-
VESTMENT WOULD PAY GOOD DIVIDENDS IN THE FUTURE.
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